

Applicant wishes to thank examiner Patel for the courtesy extended in the telephone interview held on Monday, July 19, 1999 regarding the above-identified application.

The claims have been indicated as allowable by the Examiner. The amendments to the claims were made in response to the above mentioned telephone interview conducted with the Examiner. These amendments were made to correct grammatical errors and to provide antecedent basis for certain terms in the claims.

As all claims (Claims 3-21) remaining in this application are now allowable, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner pass this application to issue.

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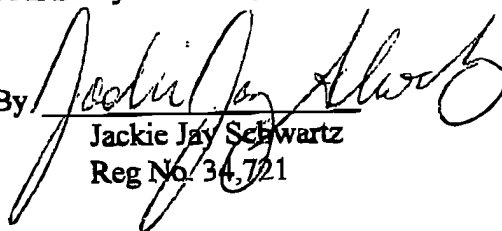
Based upon the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by Examiner's amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance.

Alternatively, should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance and issuance, he is

cordially invited to contact Mr. Michael Kroll, Esq. at 171 Stillwell Lane, Syosset, New York 11791, telephone number (516) 367-7777, so that the present application can receive an early notice of allowance. The address and telephone number for Michael I. Kroll stated above is as listed on the original Power of Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: July 19, 1999

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